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Weekly prices trended higher when compared to a week earlier. However, in New York and Chicago prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly fully steady to occasionally firm. Demand was light to very good, but not as active as last week. However, traders were closely watching further market developments. Supplies were reported as sufficient to still short of full trade needs. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good for short to adequate offerings. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the light to fair demand. Processing schedules were reported as mostly normal.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in Ia-Mn-Wi were unchanged with all other prices higher. Trade sentiment was steady at current levels. Retail sales were light to fairly good, mostly moderate and somewhat tempered by last week's blackouts. Distributive movement was moderate. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced. Central States nest run breaking stock and checks and undergrade were unchanged. Trading and demand were quiet as traders assess current market conditions. Floor stocks tight to in close balance. Schedules full-time to over-time. Trade sentiment generally steady.

	RANGE	MOSILI
EXTRA LARGE	85-94	88-91
LARGE	84-92	85-90
MEDIUM	61-69	64-66
IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN	PRICES PAID TO PRO	ODUCERS

LARGE 67-71 MEDIUM 44-46

SMALL 20-24

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to last week's values. The market tone was fully steady. Demand was moderate to good. However, companies were evaluating the effects from the recent blackout. Supplies were adequate to close for requirements. Breaking stock offerings were tight to adequate for the moderate to good demand. Light type hens were fully sufficient for mostly normal processor schedules.

	KANGE	WOSILI
EXTRA LARGE	89-101	92-94
LARGE	83-95	90-92
MEDIUM	61-76	66-68
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, M	E, NH, Easter	n NJ, Eastern
NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT		

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Extra large and large prices increased 4 cents, mediums up 2 cents. Trade sentiment generally steady. Retail demand light to mostly moderate. Food service movement fair to fairly good. Supplies were adequate to in close balance for the larger sizes and adequate for medium.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	92.5-101	93-95
LARGE	87.5-97	89-90
MEDIUM	61.5-70	63-65
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, N	IO,NM,OK, and TX	

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Mostly prices were 4 cents higher on extra large and large and 3 cents higher on mediums when compared to last weeks prices. The market tone was generally fully steady. Demand continues to be fairly active but not as aggressive as last week with overall movement still moderate to good. Supplies were sufficient to closely balanced. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to barely sufficient for the moderate to good demand. Light type hens were fully adequate for the light to fair demand. Processing schedules were mostly normal

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mostly normal.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	79.5-93	87-90
LARGE	76.5-91	85-88
MEDIUM	55.5-69	62-66
SOUTHEAST AREA: AL. FL. GA. N	MS. NC. SC. Eastern TN. a	and Southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes entering the week. Trade sentiment ranged steady to occasionally firm. Demand was moderate to at times good. Supplies were sufficient to close for current requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	97-101
LARGE	95-99
MEDIUM	73-77

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was fully steady to firm. Retail and food service demand was moderate to good. Supplies were balanced instances tight.

MAINGE
91-97
90-95
67-74

<u>WESTERN</u> Prices 4 cents higher on jumbo and extra large, 4-5 cents higher on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 4% higher than last Monday with California unchanged and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 12%. Retailer demand only fair. Offerings adequate.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Prices 4 cents higher on all sizes. The California inventory was unchanged from last Monday. Retailer demand slow. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 78. Ads in Northern California: major- large dozen 2 for \$3, 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free.

California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

RANGE

	10-110-
JUMBO	136
EXTRA LARGE	133
LARGE	125
MEDIUM	98

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CAL	NORTHERN CALIFORNIA		
	RANGE		RANGE		
JUMBO	269-339	JUMBO	269-339		
EXTRA LARGE	259-319	EXTRA LARGE	249-319		
LARGE	219-229	LARGE	219-259		
MEDIUM	199-209	MEDIUM	189-229		

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NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 22, 2003 will decrease by 6 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 15, 2003 were 234,239 cases which was 6 percent below the prior week and 7 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week	195,250	38,989	234,239
% change from the prior week	-6	-4	-6

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 15 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Trading and demand was quiet as traders assess current market conditions. Floor stocks tight to closely balance. Schedules full-time to over-time. Trade sentiment generally steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN. RANGE MOSTLY **NEST RUN** 70-73 73 CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 55-61 57

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE, OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to moderate for the at least adequate offerings. Finished product supplies were about adequate and clearing. Processing schedules were mostly normal. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER

THE WEEK OF 18-AUG-03.	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
			AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	6-9.25	8.25-8.5	8.35

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT **FOB PLANT** TOO FEW TO REPORT

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were moderate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 18-AUG-03

RANGE **WTD MAJORITY** CENTS/LB. **AVG** AT FARM BUYER LOADING 6-11.25 8.61 8.25-8.75

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM AUGUST 18, 2003 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/2/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)							
			NO	SO	so		5-Area
	Nort	heast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Week	8.3	16.9	5.8	10.3	12.6	53.7
	Change	-1.2	-2.5	.1	7	3.6	-1%
Extra Large	e Curr Week		48.7	11.9	17.5	33.3	134.0
	Change	-1.1	-2.8	-2.2	-6.2	-3.4	-11%
Large	Curr Week	47.5	92.5	61.5	83.0	92.5	377.0
	Change	-2.5	-4.6	8.4	-1.3	4.8	1%
Medium	Curr Week	15.8	35.9	20.6	22.9	29.3	124.5
	Change	2	2	1.8	-1.0	-4.0	-3%
Small	Curr Week	6.2	6.9	3.2	6.2	5.7	28.1
	Change	.9	.9	.9	-2.2	1.1	6%
Misc	Curr Week	4.1	25.6	7.7	11.8	6.7	56.0
	Change	4	3.6	3	2.5	.3	11%
Ungraded	Curr Week	13.6	34.3	16.2	28.4	27.4	119.8
	Change	2.5	-2.2	4.4	1.0	6.0	11%
Total	Curr Week		260.7	126.9	180	207.5	893.1
Percent	Change	-2%	-3%	11%	-4%	4%	0%
Total		Num	ber of	Per		Numbe	er of
			Cases	Cha	nge	Coopera	tors
Shell Egg			893.1		0%		172
Shell Egg I	Breaking Sto	ck	245.6		-3%		35

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

0%

1,138.7

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous month figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

The five inventory areas are identified as:

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT North Central-IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS

Total Shell Egg

MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPART-MENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 4, 2003

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	197.2	194.1	185.1	114.6
MINIMUM PRODU	JCER PRICES F	OB FARM F	OR THE WE	EK COM-
MENCING AUGUS	ST 4, 2003 AS ES	FABLISHED	BY ONTARIO	EGG AND
FOWL PRODUCE	RS MARKETING	ROARD		

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	151	151	141	77

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TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 15, 2003																
CURRENT L		11.25			_		FUTURE LO	DADS 8.0				TAL LO		9.25		
CLASS	ORG S	E DST	ORG	IE DST	ORG	IW DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	SC DST	ORG	W DST	S ORG	W	LOADS	
GNR W 1	ORG	— —	73.00	74.00	ORG	— —	1.00	GL W XL	— —		—		<u> </u>	89.00	1.00	
GNR BR 3		_	44.00	45.00			.25	GL W LG	_	_	_	_	_	86.00	1.00	
GL W XL	_	_	81.00	83.00	79.00	_	4.00	GL W MD	_	_	_	65.00	_	_	2.00	
GL W LG	_	_	80.75	82.50	76.00	_	7.00									
GL W MD	_	_	_	_	54.00		3.00									
GL W SM	_	_	34.00	35.00	_	_	.25									
NRBS - 50	_		61.00	63.00	_	_	.25									
NRBS - 48	_	_	_	_	_	_	3.00									
NRBS - 42	_	_	43.00	44.00	_	_	.50									
TRAILER LO	AD EGG	SALES	— WEE	KLY (5-[DAY) WI	ΓD AVE	PRICES (C	ENTS/DOZ)	NATIONA	AL TRAD	ING FOI	R 08/11/	03-08/1	5/03		
CURRENT L	OADS	95.25	5	•	FUTURE LC			OADS 33.50			TOTAL LOADS 128.75					
		SE		NE		IW				C		IW		ΛW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG		ORG		LOADS	CLASS	ORG		ORG	DST	ORG	i DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	67.00	69.00	70.83	72.00		73.32	21.00	GNR W 1		76.00	_	_	_	_	7.00	
GNR W 2 GNR BR 3	_	70.00	44.00	45.00	_	69.75 —	5.00 .25	GNR W 2 GL W J	64.20 88.00	— 89.50		_	_	93.67	5.00 3.50	
GLWJ	_		88.00		84.70		4.00	GL W XL	83.00	86.18	_	_	_	89.80	18.25	
GL W J GL W XL	_	77.60	79.86	81.97			41.00	GL W AL	80.00	84.80		_	_	88.07	31.00	
GL W LG		81.38	79.00	80.50		_	41.50	GL W MD	46.91	-	_	65.00	52 00	55.15	9.50	
GL W MD		56.00	54.56	56.73		53.33	17.50	GL W SM	_	39.00	_	_		_	1.00	
GL W SM	35.50	37.50	35.15		32.50	_	5.00	NRBS - 48	_	_	_	_	_	_	4.00	
GL BR SM		_	36.50	37.75	_	_	.75									
NRBS - 50	_	_	61.00	63.00	_	_	.25									
NRBS - 48	_	67.00	_	61.00	_	69.63	15.25									
NRBS - 42	_	_	43.00	44.00	_	_	.50									
NRBS - 39	_	_		51.20	_	57.83	4.25									
NRBS - 36			37.00			41.00	1.00	DDICED BY		ND/OD I	SECTIN	A TION F	OD C D	FOIONG		
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COLD STOR	AGE MC	VEMEN.	T-FROZE	N FGG	S (In Th	nousand	(s)	HONOLULI		A/LUTE O		200				
ON HAND		3/11/03		08/04/03	- '	08/12/02	•	HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS								
PACIFIC CO		91	2	58		331	-	Receipts from the mainland: 08/03/03-08/09/03 30-dozen case 6,967				•				
LOS ANGEL	_	39		39		275						3				
NORTH CAR			he mark					Receipts from the mainland: 07/27/03-08/02/03 and 30-dozen case 8,392								
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higher on the balance. The supply is adequate to meet the moderate demand.																
PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A,																
WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.																
EVED 4 : 45	05			OSTLY												
EXTRA LAR	GE			05.63												
LARGE MEDIUM			1	79.63												
SMALL				54.00												
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